APPENDIX B

STANDARD PUBLICLY CONDUCTED ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ORDER

The standard publicly conducted Administrative Consent Order contains references to [Person] [amount], and other blank brackets []. Upon the Department's issuance or entry of an Administrative Consent Order, the Department will replace these terms and blank spaces with the appropriate information for that specific oversight document.

IN THE MATTER OF THE

[Site Name] SITE : ADMINISTRATIVE

AND CONSENT ORDER

[Name of Person]

The Administrative Consent Order is issued and entered into pursuant to the authority vested in the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, (hereinafter the "Department") by N.J.S.A. 13:1D-1 et seq., and the Water Pollution Control Act, N.J.S.A. 58:1OA-1 et seq., and the Spill Compensation and Control Act, N.J.S.A. 58:10-23.11 et seq., and N.J.S.A. 58:10B 1 et seq., and duly delegated to the Assistant Director for the Division of Responsible Party Site Remediation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1B-4.

FINDINGS

- 1. [The name, location, street address and general description of the contaminated site (hereinafter "Site") which is the subject of the Administrative Consent Order.]
- 2. [The full name and mailing address of each party executing the Administrative Consent Order.]
 - 3. [The regulatory and enforcement history of the site.]
- 4. By entering this Administrative Consent Order, [Person] neither admits to any fact, fault or liability under any statute or regulation concerning the condition of the Site nor waives any rights or defenses with regard to the site except as specifically provided in this Administrative Consent Order.

ORDER

I. Reimbursement of Prior Costs [Optional]

1. Within thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date of this Administrative Consent Order, [Person] shall pay to the Department the sum of \$[amount] as reimbursement of costs incurred by the Department to date, in connection with the investigation of, and response to, the matters described in the Findings hereinabove. [Person] shall make payment of the above amount

by a cashier's or certified check payable to the "Treasurer, State of New Jersey" and submit it with the Department's Form 062A to:

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Revenue PO BOX 402 440 East State Street Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0402

II. Payment

- 1. The Department will conduct a [remedial phase] of hazardous substances, as defined by the Spill Compensation and Control Act, and all pollutants, as defined by the Water Pollution Control Act, discharged at, emanating from, or which have emanated from the Site. The [remedial phase] will be performed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:26E.
- 2. [Person] shall pay for all of the Department's costs in its preparation and performance of the [remedial phase] described above, including contracting costs and the cost of the Department's administration and supervision of the performance of the [remedial phase] as follows (hereinafter collectively "cost of the [remedial phase]"):
 - (a) Within thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date of this Administrative Consent Order [Person] shall pay the sum of \$[amount] to the Department to pay the costs of the [remedial phase]. The Department shall deposit this payment in a separate interest bearing account (hereinafter "Account"). The Department will draw on the Account to pay the costs of the [remedial phase]. All interest earned upon the Account shall be credited to the Account.
 - (b) Within thirty (30) calendar days after payment of the invoices by the Department, the Department to its contractors, the Department will provide [Person] with copies of all invoices submitted to the Department by its contractors. Within thirty (30) calendar days after the Department draws down on the Account the Department will provide [Person] with a statement showing that the Department has paid the invoices from the Account.
 - (c) Funds remaining in the Account upon the Department's completion of the remedial phases described in this Administrative Consent Order shall be promptly returned to [Person] by the Department.

III. Exchange of Information

- 1. The Department will provide [Person] with final copies of [remedial phase] documents defined as Deliverables in the approved contract between the Department and its contractor(s), which include: Work Plan and Sampling Plans; Quality Assurance/Quality Control ("QA/QC") Protocols; [remedial phase] Reports; Endangerment or Risk Assessment Reports; and Data Reports that include all data that have passed or failed QA/QC. For any data that fails QA/QC, the reasons for such failure will be explained in the data report.
- 2. [Person] may submit written comments to the Department on the Deliverables. The Department will review all such comments submitted by [Person], but is under no obligation to

incorporate [Person's] comments in the Deliverables.

- 3. The Department will schedule meetings concerning the [remedial phase] with [Person] as necessary.
- 4. The Department will allow [Person] to take split-samples of all samples collected during a sampling event as part of the [remedial phase] provided however, that [Person's] representatives do not in any way impede the progress of the [remedial phase].

IV. General Provisions

- 1. [Person] hereby consents to and agrees to comply with this Administrative Consent Order which shall be fully enforceable as an Administrative Order in the New Jersey Superior Court pursuant to the Department's statutory authority.
- 2. No modification or waiver of this Administrative Consent Order shall be valid except by written amendment to this Administrative Consent Order duly executed by [Person] and the Department. Any amendment to this Administrative Consent Order shall be executed by the Department and [Person]. The Department reserves the right to require the resolution of any outstanding violations of the rules or this Administrative Consent Order prior to executing any such amendment.
- 3. [Person] waives its rights to an administrative hearing concerning the entry of this Administrative Consent Order.
- 4. This Administrative Consent Order shall be governed and interpreted under the laws of the State of New Jersey.
- 5. This Administrative Consent Order shall be binding, jointly and severally, on each signatory, its successors, assignees and any trustee in bankruptcy or receiver appointed pursuant to a proceeding in law or equity. No change in the ownership or corporate status of any signatory or of the facility or site shall alter signatory's responsibilities under this Administrative Consent Order.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided, the requirements of this Administrative Consent Order shall be deemed satisfied upon the receipt by [Person] of written notice from the Department that [Person] has demonstrated, to the satisfaction of the Department, that [Person] has completed the substantive and financial obligations imposed by this Administrative Consent Order. Such written notice shall not relieve [Person] from the obligation to conduct future remediation pursuant to Federal State or local laws for matters not addressed by this Administrative Consent Order.
- 7. By entering into this Administrative Consent Order, the Department does not waive its right to assess or collect civil or civil administrative penalties for past, present and future violations by [Person] of any New Jersey environmental statutes or regulations.
- 8. Except as otherwise stated in this Administrative Consent Order, nothing herein shall be construed as limiting any legal, equitable or administrative remedies which [Person] may have

under any applicable law or regulation. In any enforcement action the Department initiates pursuant to this Administrative Consent Order, [Person] reserves any defenses which the Spill Compensation and Control Act, (Matter of Kimber Petroleum Corp., 110 N.J. 69 (1988) or their amendments, supplements and progeny allow.

9. This Administrative Consent Order shall be effective upon the execution of this Administrative Consent Order by the Department and [Person]. [Person) shall return the executed Administrative Consent Order to the Department for Department signature within five (5) calendar days from the effective date.

Date:	BY:	Signature
		Print Full Name Signed Above
		Title
[Print Name of Company executing	g Order]	
Date:	BY:	Signature
		Print Full Name Signed Above
		Title

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